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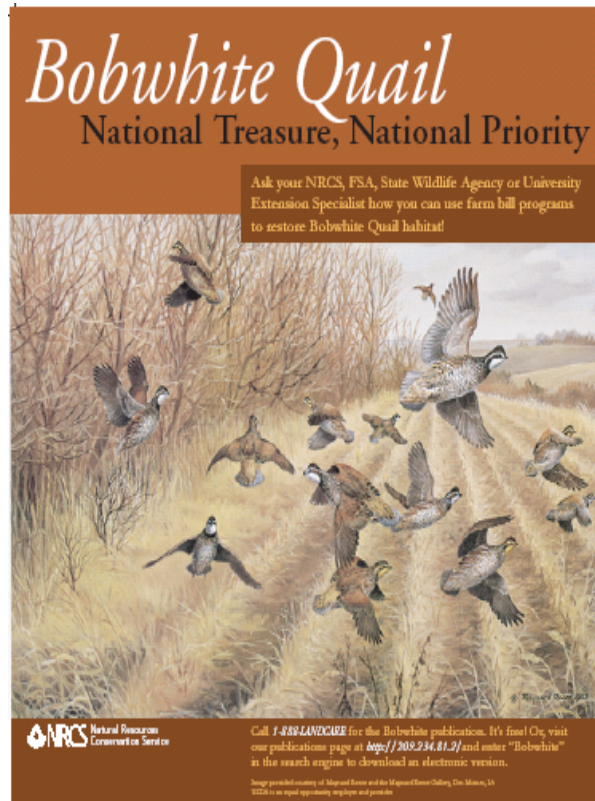
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Quail Habitat Incentives Program

To help improve quail population numbers, the Indiana Division of Fish and Wildlife has designated priority areas throughout southern Indiana to focus on quail habitat management. The Division will offer eligible landowners within the priority areas a variety of incentive payments to encourage the development and maintenance of quality quail habitat.



Quail were once abundant across southern Indiana with peak populations occurring in the late 1960's and early 1970's. At that time there was upwards of 4 million acres of Hoosier farmland idled in USDA land retirement programs. These programs provided an important source of herbaceous cover that remained undisturbed during most nesting and brood-rearing seasons and allowed our quail population to flourish.

Unfortunately, the amount of ground in USDA land retirement programs has declined by more than 90 percent (only slightly more than 250,000 acres remain), and the amount of brushy cover that traditionally served as the primary fall and winter headquarters for quail coveys is declining as well.

How To Apply

Interested landowners should consult the accompanying map and priority area descriptions to determine if they are eligible for the quail habitat incentives program. Eligible landowners should then contact the appropriate priority area biologist listed on the back of this brochure to discuss quail habitat management on their property. The biologist will prepare a management plan for each acceptable parcel and determine the total amount of incentive payments the landowner may be eligible to receive.



To be eligible for the incentive payments, the priority area biologist must approve the habitat practice or practice enrollment prior to implementation. Eligible habitat practices and enrollments are listed on the adjacent panel.

Excluding the one-time incentive payments for enrolling in eligible CRP practices and CRP mid-contract management, total monetary assistance from the Division of Fish and Wildlife will not exceed 90 % of the cost of the practice. No payments will be made until the work has been completed and inspected by the priority area biologist or their designated representative.

Eligible Practices and Payments

CRP Enrollment

Individuals enrolling in specific Regular or Continuous CRP practices are eligible for a one-time signing incentive of up to 120 % of the average soil rental rate. This incentive payment is in addition to any signing incentive payments provided by USDA.

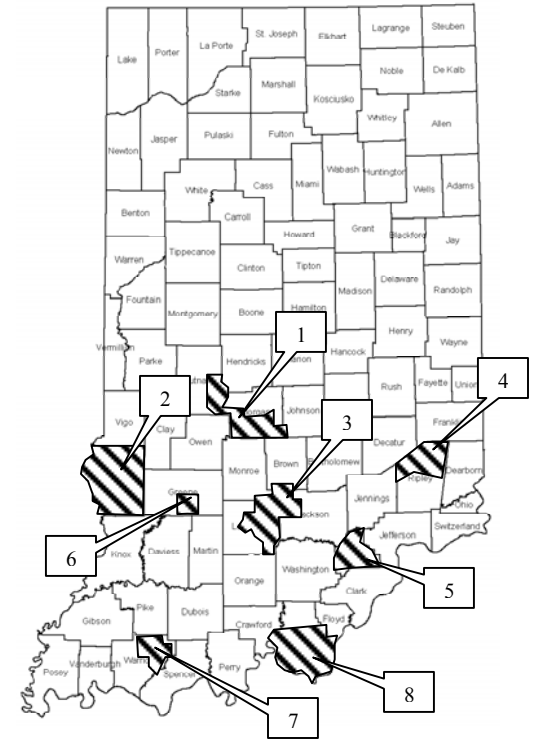
CRP Mid-Contract Management

Individuals voluntarily enrolling existing CRP (prior to Sign-up 26) into mid-contract management activities are eligible for an incentive payment not to exceed \$16/acre for light disking, \$10/acre for legume interseeding, \$27/acre for strip spraying, and \$20/acre for prescribed burning. This incentive payment is in addition to any cost-share provided by USDA.

Habitat Practices Not Related to CRP (Maximum payments per practice)

- Establishment of native grasses - \$175/acre
- Establishment of cool season grasses - \$90/acre
- Fescue Eradication - \$30/acre
- Establishment of shrubs - \$400/acre
- Strip disking - \$30/acre
- Legume interseeding - \$40/acre
- Chemical application - \$30/acre
- Control burning - \$40/acre
- Woodland edge feathering - \$20/hour
- Fencerow rehabilitation - \$20/hour
- Grain food plots - \$50/acre

Quail Habitat Priority Areas



Priority Area Descriptions

Priority Area #1

Putnam County – Only Marion, Jefferson, and Cloverdale (East of US 231) Townships.
Morgan County – Only Ashland, Ray, Baker, Jefferson, Washington, and Jackson Townships.

Priority Area #2

Sullivan County – Entire County.

Priority Area #3

Lawrence County – Only Pleasant Run, Shawswick, Bono, and Guthrie Townships.
Jackson County – Only Salt Creek and Owen Twp.

Priority Area #4

Ripley County – North of US 50.

Priority Area #5

Scott County – Entire County.

Priority Area #6

Greene County – Only Taylor Township.

Priority Area #7

Warrick County – Only Lane, Owen, Pigeon, and Skelton Twp.

Priority Area #8

Harrison County – South of I-64.